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DATE:

May 1, 2007

TO:

Council Members

FROM:

S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director

RE:

DOCKET NO. 335 - MetroCast Communications of Connecticut, LLC

application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for

the Expansion of its existing CATV Headend facility located at 689 Old

Colchester Road, Uncasville-Montville, Connecticut.

I. Introduction

The application is from MetroCast Communications of Connecticut, LLC for the expansion, maintenance, and operation of its existing CATV Headend facility in the Town of Montville, Connecticut.

MetroCast's facility is on an 8.7 acre facility at 689 Old Colchester Road. At this location, MetroCast would add nine antennas (earth stations) to receive additional satellite transmissions to re-broadcast to its cable subscribers.

II. Technical

The application includes relevant maps, descriptions of the proposed prime and alternate site, costs, a description of the environmental effects of the proposed construction, and health and safety information. The application meets statutory technical requirements for processing the application. Council staff believes additional information can be obtained through prehearing interrogatories. This project would not require an outside consultant.

III. Administrative Review

The applicant has stated that all service and filing requirements pursuant to General Statutes § 16-501 (b) have been fulfilled. The applicant stated that notice to the general public was published in the New London Day.

IV. Procedural

The Council must schedule a hearing for the proceeding between 30 and 150 days after receipt of an application. The Council must also appoint a custodian of the docket and designate a place for the deposition of the transcript. Staff recommends designating Adriana Popa as custodian of the docket, holding the public hearing in the Town of Montville on Thursday, July 12, 2007, and depositing the transcript in the Montville Town Hall.



V. Proposed Schedule

Application received	04/13/07
Completeness review	05/01/07
Subcommittee meeting	05/01/07
Pre-hearing Questions	
Set-One Filed	05/04/07
Set-One responses due	05/23/07
Set-Two Filed	05/25/07
Set-Two responses due	06/13/07
Pre-hearing conference (10:00 a.m.)	06/12/07
Pre-filed testimony due	07/06/07
Deadline to request Party/Intervenor status	07/05/07
Field review (2:00 p.m.)	07/12/07
Hearing (3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.)	07/12/07
Close of Record	08/13/07
Draft Findings of Fact	08/13/07
Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion & Decision & Order	08/29/07
Deadline for Decision	10/10/07
180-day extension date	04/07/08

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